Introduced by Committee on Natural Resources and Wildlife (Senators Kuehl (Chair), Alpert, Bowen, Denham, Hollingsworth, Oller, Ortiz, Sher, and Torlakson) Senator Kuehl

February 21, 2003

An act to amend Section 853 of the Fish and Game Code, relating to the Department of Fish and Game.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 692, as amended, Committee on Natural Resources and Wildlife *Kuehl*. Department of Fish and Game: deputized employees.

Existing law requires the Department of Fish and Game to prepare a report relating to deputized employees by March 31, 1993. Copies of the report are required to be made available.

This bill would delete that obsolete provision.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 853 of the Fish and Game Code is 2 amended to read:
- 853. The director may deputize any employee of the
- 4 department to check persons for licenses required under Section
- 5 7145 and to enforce *any* violation of that section. Before a person
- 6 is deputized pursuant to this section for the first time, the person
- 7 shall have satisfactorily completed a training course meeting the
- 8 minimum standards of, and comparable to, the training for "level

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- III reserve" as set forth in the regulations of the Commission on
- 2 Peace Officer Standards and Training. Any person, who is 3 deputized for this limited purpose pursuant to this section, may not
- 4 enforce any other provision of this code, and is not a peace officer
- 5 subject to Chapter 4.5 (commencing with Section 830) of Title 3
- 6 of Part 2 of the Penal Code.